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MAYOR

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YOUR CITY

CITY OF BEAVERTON NEWSLETTER

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Be The Person Your Dog Thinks You Are...!

Recently, SOLV's (Stop Oregon Litter & Vandalism) Executive Director Jack McGowan spoke to volunteers at the City of Beaverton's annual Board's & Commissions dinner. SOLV was founded by former Oregon Governor Tom McCall in 1969. Jack inspired those attending by thanking them for their volunteer efforts on behalf of the City and shared stories about SOLV's recent successes to promote volunteerism and improve the quality of life in our state. Along with his wife, Jan, the two McGowans rescued a sagging SOLV and really pumped life back into the organization that touches literally all corners of Oregon. Their efforts today go well beyond just cleaning up litter.

In my years of service to Beaverton citizens, beginning with the Planning Commission in 1981, I've always really enjoyed helping preserve what is good about Beaverton and working to improve our community. Along the way, I've met and worked with many fine folks who've given their time and shared expertise in many areas. As a community, we've been blessed by the strong volunteerism and contributions of thousands to civic endeavors, schools, service clubs and churches. Without these selfless efforts, ours would be just another community that doesn't offer much reason to be proud. The light-hearted heading for this article is a quote from Jack McGowan. Though he borrowed it from someone else it underscores the potential we have as individuals to improve our personal performance and share our better sides with others.

I have great faith in you and the overall goodness in our community - yet always want to share my concerns for maintaining what we enjoy. Like you, my household is very busy and it seems we are always behind in getting projects done and finding time to stop and take a breath. Families are stretched in many directions and finding the right balance isn't always easy.

Young people are always of interest to me, and I know that today's youth have many conflicting challenges and opportunities. It seems they are now exposed to much more of life's realities at an earlier age with the many modes of information and communications available to them. Much of it is easy to access without parental assistance, both good and bad. As parents, we need to be on our toes in knowing what they access, whom they know and where they hang out. It is your right and duty as a parent to know this information. Though not always easy, keep open your lines of communication with your children. They really want and need

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Your interests and concerns are important to me. A phone line is available 24 hours a day for citizen calls: (503) 526-3700. Messages will be checked daily, and if you leave your name and number, a staff member or I will respond to you as quickly as possible.

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your time and interest. As a parent, I know that it often is easier said than done. In rearing our children we want them to continue developing their independence and self-assurance, yet it is very important to keep "checking-in" to be certain that they take the correct fork in the road.

The City of Beaverton is involved in supporting and interacting with area youth in many ways. We have uniformed police officers assigned to each area grade, middle and high school. They provide education, security and support for youth in each of the schools. This is a major investment made for our public and private schools, but is a critical element in helping provide a safe and secure learning environment.

We are a major supporter for the Police Activities League (PAL) program for youth at the City of Beaverton's Resource Center. In addition to providing the free location, we also financially help support operational costs for the program. The men and women of the Beaverton Police Department volunteer their time and interest in supporting and working with the youth who regularly attend the PAL program. The City also helps staff and supports the Beaverton Youth Peer Court program. The Peer Court offers an alternate to young offenders being processed through the Juvenile Court system. In the case of some minor offenses, the Courts are too full and understaffed to deal with some minor crimes that should not go unpunished. It is a caring way to get the attention of young offenders without their acquiring a court record.

We're in the middle of the fifth year of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board (MYAB). I began this program to connect area youth with the City and offer a venue for young people to advise the City Council and me on issues important to young persons. The Board is comprised of 25 youth in the ninth through twelfth grades in six area high schools. We appoint a fairly even balance from each of the four grades so that the Board always has members with more than one-year experience from year to year. They elect their own leaders each year, plan a work program and execute it over the regular school year. I'm proud of the work they have done and the impact they have made in our community. Applications for service on the MYAB are now available online via the City's Web site.

• Rob Drake, Mayor

New City of Beaverton Web Address

**The City of Beaverton has changed to a new primary
Web address:**

www.beavertonoregon.gov

**This new address will be used as the primary name
for the City of Beaverton's public Web site.**

**This change applies to our Web site only. Email
addresses using the *ci.beaverton.or.us* domain will
remain unchanged.**

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THE CITY'S MISSION:
*"Preserve and enhance Beaverton
as a responsive, dynamic, attractive
and safe community."*

Rob Drake, Mayor
Betty Bode, Council President
Catherine Arnold, Councilor
Dennis Doyle, Councilor
Fred Ruby, Councilor
Cathy Stanton, Councilor

COUNCIL GOALS:

- 1-Preserve and enhance our sense of community.
- 2-Use City resources efficiently to ensure long-term financial stability.
- 3-Continue to plan for, improve and maintain the City's infrastructure.
- 4-Provide responsive, cost-effective service to the community.
- 5-Assure a safe and healthy community.
- 6-Manage growth and respond to change consistent with maintaining a livable, full-service city.
- 7-Maintain Beaverton as a regional leader in cooperative efforts with other agencies and organizations.
- 8-Provide and support a highly qualified and motivated City work force.

Emergency Management Program: New Emergency AM Radio Station Debuts

As part of the City of Beaverton's ongoing commitment to be adequately prepared for emergencies or disasters within our community, the Emergency Management Program has recently installed radio equipment that will help City officials communicate with Beaverton citizens in the event of a natural disaster, terror threat or other emergency situation. The City has received a license from the Federal

Communications Commission (FCC) to operate a low-power, AM radio station that can broadcast within a three-mile radius from the new radio tower installed on the roof of Beaverton City Hall.

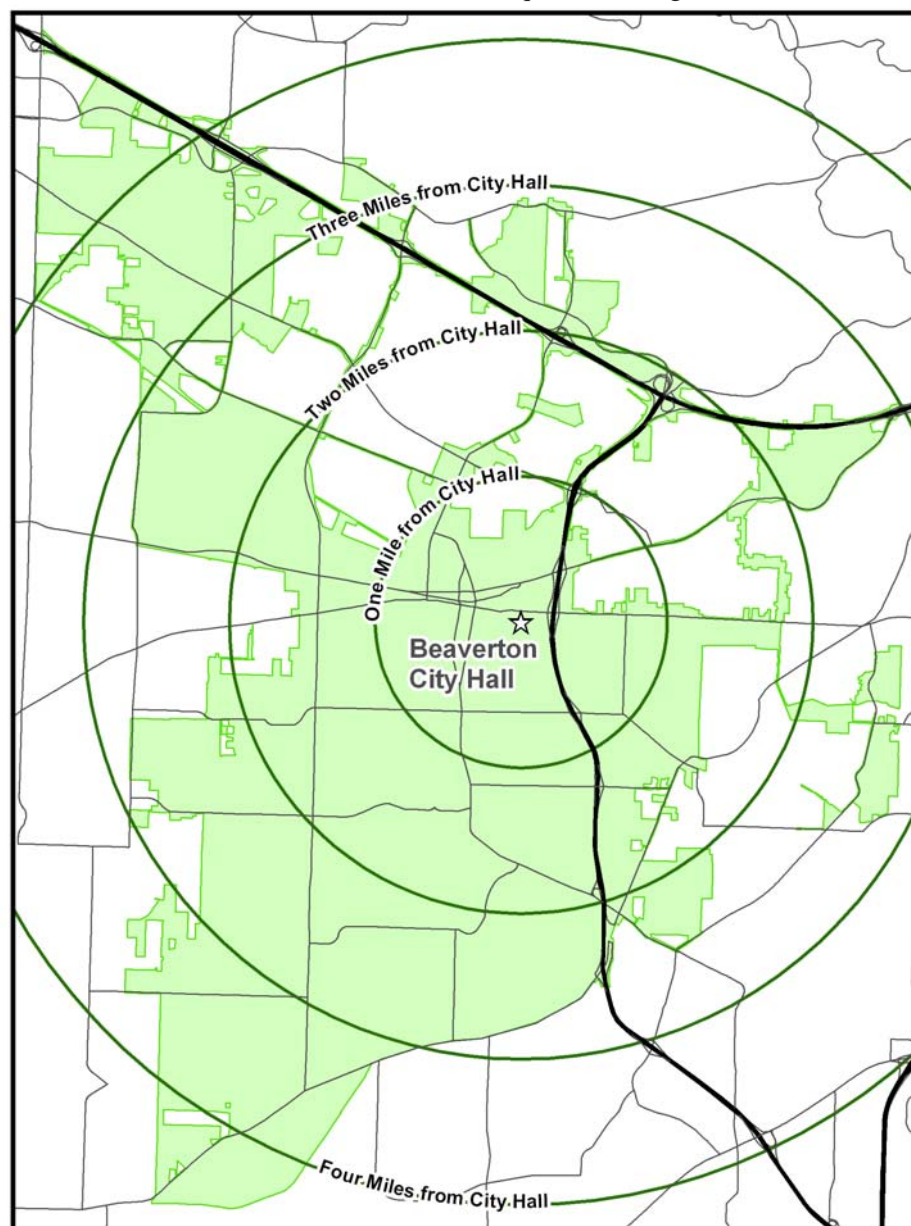
The radio station is located at 1610 AM and has been temporarily designated as WQAD by the FCC. Although the new technology ensures adequate coverage for a three mile

radius, the station coverage area may extend out further depending upon time-of-day and weather conditions. The adjacent map shows that the majority of the current boundaries of the City of Beaverton are within the three-mile coverage area.

In the event of a disaster/emergency, citizens will be able to listen to WQAD for up-to-the-minute reports, instructions, and specific alerts that would pertain to the Beaverton area specifically. For example, if the City's Emergency Operations Center was activated for an emergency or natural disaster, the new radio station would serve as another tool to get critical information out to Beaverton citizens as quickly as possible.

With the new radio station, Beaverton joins more than 200 communities nationally that have received licenses for radio stations to communicate to residents in emergencies.

Although the radio station's primary use is to communicate during an emergency, the City will also use the new radio station to inform city residents about other kinds of information, such as upcoming city events and programs, notices of street repairs, and public meetings. We anticipate that WQAD will begin broadcasting during the month of March and we encourage residents to check out the new radio station.



WQAD Coverage Area

For More Information:

Visit the City's Web site at www.beavertonoregon.gov/departments/emergency/ or contact the Emergency Management Program Coordinator at (503) 642-0383.

2005 Picnics in the Park

Mayor Rob Drake and the Beaverton City Council are once again sponsoring the Picnic in the Park series. The purpose of the picnics is to give citizens the opportunity to speak with the Mayor and City Councilors in an informal manner and to encourage citizen participation in neighborhoods.

All residents are encouraged to attend, particularly those without much experience attending City government functions. The Picnics in the Park are designed to give people who are new to civic participation a unique opportunity to communicate with their elected officials.

The City provides hot dogs and beverages and the entire family is welcome! Many of the City's programs will have tables set up to provide information on City services. Neighborhood Association Committee (NAC) representatives will also be in attendance. The information below outlines the dates, locations, times and neighborhoods for the specific picnic. Call (503) 526-2543 if you have any questions about these events.

Thursday, May 19, 6:00 p.m.

CAMILLE PARK

West Slope, Raleigh West
Denney Whitford

Thursday, June 16, 6:00 p.m.

SCHIFFLER PARK

Central Beaverton
Highland, Vose

Thursday, July 14, 6:00 p.m.

HITEON PARK

Sexton Mountain, South Beaverton
Greenway, Neighbors Southwest

Thursday, August 18, 6:00 p.m.

AUTUMN RIDGE PARK

Five Oaks, Triple Creek
West Beaverton

Beaverton Police Department:

Protect your Business. Protect your Customers.

Identity theft and fraud is the fastest growing crime trend in the United States, affecting consumers, businesses and law enforcement agencies. The Federal Trade Commission reported that 10.1 million consumers were hit in 2003 alone. Identity theft occurs when personal information is stolen and used by someone to commit fraud or theft. Criminals commonly use the victim's personal information to forge checks, use credit cards, secure loans, and open fraudulent accounts, such as cellular telephones – all at a very high cost. The Federal Trade Commission estimated that in 2002, identity theft cost businesses \$47.6 billion and consumers \$5 billion.

In January, the Beaverton Police Department, with the assistance of a Department of Justice grant, kicked off a program to educate local businesses about identity theft and how to prevent it. Businesses identified as crime victims were invited to attend a free two-hour workshop conducted by officers and detectives with expertise in identity theft and fraud casework. Managers and

staff from retail, grocery, and financial institutions learned the importance of their role in helping recognize, reduce and prevent identity theft. Police officers stressed to the group the importance of area businesses building partnerships with the Beaverton Police Department, noting that criminals often work in "crime rings" and the information provided by businesses, no matter what the dollar value, is an essential link to solving cases. The workshops were well received by more than 45 attendees who received a copy of "Protect Your Business. Protect Your Customers." a newly released booklet developed by the department. More workshops will be conducted throughout 2005. Sample workshop topics include:

- Crime trends;
- Causes (primarily methamphetamine addiction and advanced technology in creating documents);
- Efforts to combat crime;
- Recognizing stolen and forged checks;
- Credit card fraud;

- How criminals commit identity theft;
- Fake identifications;
- Fraudulent behavior;
- What businesses can do to deter criminals and protect themselves and their customers;
- How businesses can help with police investigations; and,
- Surveillance video camera placement;

We invite and encourage businesses and individuals to contact the department to schedule a workshop or one-on-one consultation to address their specific needs. Your Police Department is here to help answer questions or provide assistance in other crime prevention areas.

For More Information:

For additional information or to schedule your visit or receive the booklet "Protect Your Business. Protect Your Customers." call (503) 526-3722.

Operations Department: Spring Maintenance

Spring marks the return of many activities that are important to the care and maintenance of much of the City's infrastructure. Each year, a number of the streets and highways in the City are identified for rehabilitation. A partial list of the streets and highways scheduled for repairs this year is included below. Typically, streets and highways that experience higher traffic volumes have pavement surfaces that are more than twelve years old. In the case of residential streets, the pavement surface is usually more than twenty and as many as thirty years old.

During the next several weeks, the City's Street Section employees will be working to replace badly worn and deformed sections of pavement on the listed streets. By excavating these weak areas and restoring the road base, the new pavement surface (which will be installed later in the summer) will be more stable and last longer. Street Section employees will also be replacing some sections of concrete sidewalks in downtown areas

and along Hall Blvd. between Fifth Street and Farmington Road, in support of the Hall-Watson Beautification Project.

The employees in the Landscape Section will be cleaning and grooming the areas around the City's facilities for the spring and summer and also preparing the three Community Gardens for use. Traffic Section employees will be working, weather permitting from now until late fall to restore vehicle lanes, crosswalks, bicycle lanes and all other types of street markings that are worn and deteriorated by winter conditions.

All of the nearly 8,000 catch basins located along streets and highways in the City will be cleaned by the Storm Maintenance Section employees to remove winter debris and other organic materials that can impede the flow of runoff water and can also provide a habitat for mosquito breeding. Many of the catch basins that are designed to enhance water quality are further treated after cleaning to reduce mosquito breeding

sites.

The Construction Section employees will be working in advance of street re-surfacing to repair problem areas in the storm drainage and wastewater systems to avoid excavating new pavement. These employees will also be working throughout the City to make repairs and improvements to these same systems.

The volume of tasks to be completed will require these employees to be working at multiple sites throughout the City. Their presence may cause some traffic delays and some inconvenience. We will do our best to minimize delays and impacts caused by the necessary work. We ask for your patience and understanding during this busy time.

For More Information:

If you have questions, please call the Operations Department at (503) 526-2220.

STREET OVERLAY SCHEDULE 2004-05

Street Name	Street Boundaries
155 th Avenue	Beverly Court to Davis Rd
155 th Avenue	Siletz Court to Brighton Ct
2 nd Street	Watson to Lombard
Dale Circle	Dale Ave to cul-de-sac
17 th Street.....	Dale Ave to cul-de-sac
Autumn Lane	Village Circle to cul-de-sac
Burntwood Court	Village Circle to cul-de-sac
Longhorn Lane	Downing to 125th
Rockwood Court	Village Circle to cul-de-sac
Springfield Lane	Village Circle to cul-de-sac
Village Circle	Village Lane to Village Lane
Village Court	Village Circle to cul-de-sac
Salix Court.....	Salix Ridge to cul-de-sac
Salix Place	Salix Terrace to cul-de-sac
Salix Ridge	Salix Terrace to cul-de-sac
Salix Terrace (includes spur)	185 th to Salix Ridge



Pavement grinding on Cedar Hills Boulevard at Hall Boulevard at 1 a.m.

Neighborhood Program: Television Outreach and Information

Tualatin Valley Television (T VTV) received a grant of approximately \$120,000 from Metropolitan Area Communications Commission to purchase and install video equipment in Beaverton City Hall. Since its installation in summer 2003, the equipment, housed in the Civic Studio, has quickly become integral to the City's outreach efforts. Not only are all of the City Council meetings televised (as opposed to one per month), the equipment can be used for other activities as well, including live broadcasts and taped videos.

Staff in the Neighborhood Program have been trained by T VTV to use the cameras and editing software. The equipment enhances the program's

outreach efforts by allowing staff to film program activities and events and create informational videos. The most extensive use of the equipment has occurred with the City Learning Series, a series of introductory classes about the City. Each of the eight classes was videotaped for play on T VTV. In addition, each of the videos has been posted onto the Neighborhood Program's web pages for viewing by an even wider audience. Staff has received feedback from citizens about not only how valuable the series is, but also how helpful it is to have the information posted on the Web site.

Staff has also used the studio to create informational videos including

a public service announcement about the City Learning Series and an orientation video for boards and commissions members. Staff is exploring creating other videos, including an instructional video on how to testify at a public meeting. The Civic Studio is certainly providing staff with the means to provide information to the public in even more effective and innovative ways.

For More Information:

For more information about the Neighborhood Program, contact us at (503)526-2543 or neighbormail@ci.beaverton.or.us.

THE FORUM OF BEAVERTON

Connecting People & Ideas



This spring, the City of Beaverton will begin offering a new event, called 'The Forum of Beaverton: Connecting People & Ideas.' The Forum is a series of lectures that offers attendees the opportunity to listen to distinguished speakers discussing issues that are relevant to the Beaverton community. The series will feature individual lectures on a similar theme.

For the inaugural series, the topic is the Beaverton community's history and future. Lectures are free of charge on the first Thursdays of April, May, and June in the auditorium of the City Library.

If you are interested in attending a lecture, please register through the Neighborhood Program at (503)350-4097 or email neighbormail@ci.beaverton.or.us

All lectures start at 7:00 p.m

Thursday, April 7: Through the Wine Glass: A Look at Beaverton's History Through the Development of the Wine Industry featuring: Nancy Ponzi, Ponzi Vineyards.

Thursday, May 5: Chips & Wafers: How High-Tech Helped Create a Community featuring: Norm Winningstad, a founder and former Chairman and President, Floating Point Systems; former Chairman and CEO, Lattice Semiconductor; Chairman, Thrustmaster; and Chairman, President & CEO, Moderator Systems, Inc.

Thursday, June 2: Where Are We Going?: A Look into Beaverton's Future featuring: Dr. Nohad Toulon, Dean Emeritus, Portland State University's College of Urban and Public Affairs; and Sheila Martin, Director, Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies.

Engineering Department: **Protecting Your Drinking Water**

Although automatic sprinkler systems make watering lawns and gardens easier and save time, irrigation water could be contaminated by weed killers, pesticides, or fertilizers that can be siphoned back into your drinking water. Irrigation systems not protected by special backflow prevention valves could endanger the health of a household, neighborhood, or community.

A "cross connection" is a point in the plumbing system where the drinking (potable) water supply is or can be connected directly to a non-potable source. Examples of cross connections carried into the public water supply are:

- Chemicals from lawn fertilizing sprayers
- Solar heating systems and swimming pools
- Private wells with connections to the public water system
- Fire systems which use black iron piping.

If backflow prevention valve

assemblies are not in place and a cross connection were to occur, harmful substances from non-potable plumbing could backflow into the public water main, and it may be accidentally consumed by other water users.

Since 1985, the City of Beaverton has required backflow prevention assemblies on commercial and industrial plumbing where cross connection hazards exist. Backflow prevention assemblies have also been required by plumbing codes for residential sprinkler systems for years. Oregon law requires that public water systems to be protected from cross connections and potential backflow of harmful substances into our drinking water.

Protecting Your Drinking Water

A plumbing permit is needed to install a residential irrigation (sprinkler) system whether you, as the property owner, install the sprinkler system or you hire a contractor. The permit ensures that the plumbing codes administered by the City of Beaverton are followed. Plumbing codes are enforced to ensure the homeowner has a plumbing system that is safe to use for drinking and to maintain consistently high-quality plumbing systems for you, as a consumer, when purchasing a home or condominium.

Obtaining a plumbing permit also ensures that, if you hire a contractor, the contractor is licensed and bonded. As a part of the permit process, and included in the permit fee, the City's plumbing inspector and cross connection inspector will inspect the new system to verify that an approved backflow assembly is installed properly. The City's inspectors will verify the location, serial number, and testing of the backflow assembly. As your water provider, we are required to protect the public water system

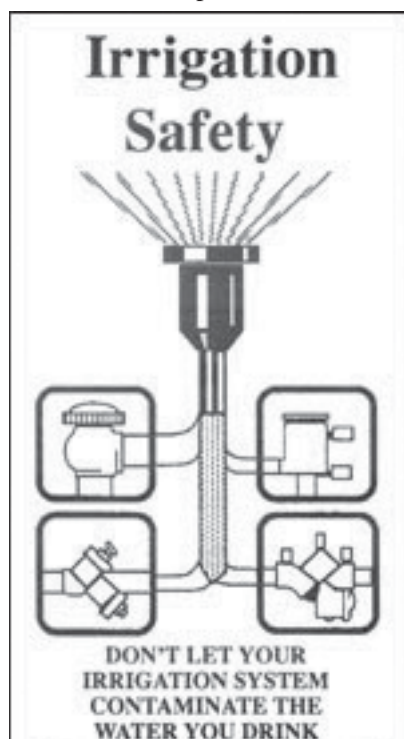
from contamination.

Remember that the plumbing code requires all water service yard piping to be buried at least 24 inches deep to protect against freezing. If you choose an Atmospheric Vacuum Breaker (AVB), note that it is a non-testable device, but, it is required to be inspected at the time of installation. The City recommends that homeowners have AVBs inspected and cleaned annually to ensure they are operating properly. The AVB will also help protect household plumbing from lawn irrigation cross connections.

Under Oregon Administrative Rules, all testable backflow assemblies require annual testing by an Oregon State Certified tester, which must be paid for by the homeowner. The test is to ensure that the assembly is operating correctly. Refer to the yellow pages of your phone book to find certified testers.

Your Backflow Assembly

Each year the City of Beaverton sends out reminder letters of all required backflow assembly tests and AVBs that were installed under filed City plumbing permits. If you have any questions, please call the City of Beaverton's Cross Connection Inspector at (503) 350-4042. You can also call the City for assistance with the best type of backflow assembly for your irrigation system.



For More Information:

For more information on cross connection control and backflow assemblies, please visit the City of Beaverton
Web site: www.beaverton.oregon.gov/departments/engineering/eng_crosscon_backflow.html **or call (503) 526-2269**

Community Development Department: City and County Agree on Interim Urban Services Annexation Plan

In the Council Corner section of the last issue of this newsletter, City Council President Betty Bode explained the City of Beaverton's new annexation policy and why the Council chose to implement it. The implementation of the new annexation policy reinvigorated ongoing discussions with Washington County about Beaverton's annexation strategy, leading to approval in late December of an intergovernmental agreement between the City and the County for the purpose of establishing an "Interim Urban Services Plan" for the Beaverton area.

The agreement will remain in effect until a final urban service agreement between the City, the County and affected special service districts (e.g., Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District, Clean Water Services, Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue, Tualatin Valley Water District, etc.) is approved pursuant to Chapter 195 of the Oregon Revised Statutes, or for ten years if a final agreement cannot be reached. The agreement addresses the roles and responsibilities of the City and the County in regard to provision of municipal services to and annexation of unincorporated areas around the city in stating the following:

- The City is the appropriate long-term provider of municipal services to areas shown on maps attached to the agreement, except for those services that are to be provided by a special or county service district. Over the long

term, the maps indicate the City will annex most urban land within the Beaverton School District that is not within another city.

- The County will not oppose annexation of unincorporated properties within the designated area. This area is generally defined by the Multnomah County line on the east; Scholls Ferry Road and Barrows Road on the south; 185th Avenue, the light rail tracks, 170th Avenue, and the regional Urban Growth Boundary on the west; and the Sunset Highway on the north with the exception of properties presently in the City and the Providence St. Vincent Medical Center campus.

- The City will coordinate with the County to develop and implement a strategy for annexing larger neighborhoods in the designated area, such as Cedar Hills.

- For the term of the agreement, the City will not annex property not shown on the map attached to the agreement unless consented to by the County.

- The City shall not provide services outside of the designated area with the condition that annexation is required, although the City is not obligated to provide service to that area.

- The County will work with the City to resolve remaining "double taxation" issues resulting from use of County property tax revenues paid by owners of property in the City for service primarily benefiting

unincorporated residents and businesses.

- The City will not oppose creation of additional districts by the County to serve designated areas so long as the new district(s) would "sunset" no later than ten years after formation.

- The City and the County will work to adopt a final urban service agreement for some or all of the unincorporated areas around Beaverton, as shown on the map attached to the agreement. This agreement should address issues such as water service, potential employee and equipment transfers, and other matters as necessary and appropriate.

- The City and the County agree to work to complete a memorandum of understanding within two months of the date of the agreement specifying the process for the County to provide the City with information relating to its most recent land use decisions for annexed properties.

For More Information:

For more information about the interim agreement and City annexation activities generally, contact Joe Grillo, Community Development Director, at (503) 526-2418 or jgrillo@ci.beaverton.or.us, or Hal Bergsma, Planning Services Manager, at (503) 350-4037 or hbergsma@ci.beaverton.or.us.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue: Earthquake! Do You Have A Plan?

It's the middle of a work day and the walls and fixtures in your office begin violently shaking! You get under your desk and hold on for what seems like minutes. After the shaking has stopped, you check on your coworkers and begin to worry about your family members. You attempt to call them but there is no phone service. You jump in your car expecting to quickly drive home, but hear on the radio that bridges are not safe to cross, side streets are blocked all over town, and the highway you need to travel on is completely blocked due to a landslide.

Panic sets in as you realize it could be hours, or possibly days, before you will connect with your family. You have no idea how your children will get home from school. You have no

way to contact your spouse. You cannot reach your elderly mother to find out if she is safe or has electricity, food, or water. It is then that you ask yourself, "Why didn't I make it a priority to plan for a time like this?"

Emergency Management officials tell us that, inevitably, our area is going to suffer a major earthquake - it is only a matter of time. Are you and your family prepared?

Following a major earthquake, with thousands of people affected, emergency services will be taxed and it will be impossible to respond to everyone's needs at once. Incidents with confirmed multiple patients and/or incidents with a high life-threatening potential will be the number one priority of fire, rescue,

and safety personnel. It is therefore, imperative that you prepare now to help yourself and your family in the event of an earthquake.

Start by developing a Family Disaster Plan, making sure you and your family members know how to shut off your utilities and building a 72-hour kit with emergency supplies. Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue will provide you with helpful forms and valuable information - just visit their Web site at www.tvfr.com (under the link *Community Safety\Emergency Preparedness*) for downloadable information on this and more. You may also call (503) 649-8577 to have this information mailed to you or request a speaker for your next business or community meeting.

Help us help you - take time and prepare now.

Economic Development Program: Open Technology Business Center

Over the course of the last year, you may have seen articles about a software-focused business incubator being created here in Beaverton with funding from the City of Beaverton. In late January, 2005, the facility was officially launched with the name: Open Technology Business Center (OTBC). Mayor Drake and Governor Kulongoski joined to announce this exciting new opportunity for job creation in Beaverton.

The Center is located near the Cornell exit on the Sunset Highway in the Cornell Oaks Corporate Park. It will house early stage companies involved in a range of software areas, but with an emphasis on Open Technologies. The OTBC will support the formation, growth and funding of companies in the Open

Technology industry. It will offer services, programs and facilities.

What is Open Technology? This is a term for the computing and business strategy of sharing core technology, allowing developers to focus on parts of the business which add the greatest value and allow customers to pay for real value. Open source software is one example of shared core technology. Open Technology is a growing trend in the Information Technology industry, and one which is estimated to approach the \$40 billion range by 2008.

The Beaverton area, and Oregon, currently have many strengths in the Open Technology area, from the Open Source Development Lab in Beaverton to the many companies which focus on such strategies. The

OTBC will build on these existing strengths and cement Beaverton as a leader in this field.

For More Information:

For more information about the Open Technology Business Center, contact us at (503)526-2456 or economicdev@ci.beaverton.or.us.

Code Services Program:

Noise In An Urban Environment: Barking Dogs

Traffic noise, construction noise, the sound of lawn mowers and leaf blowers on a Saturday morning — they are all part of our urban soundscape. Some noises are necessary. Others are not. The Beaverton Code prohibits unnecessary noise that annoys or disturbs others.

Barking dogs are a common source of noise complaints. At Code Services, we know that all dogs are going to bark sometimes, but frequent or long-continued noise from animals is prohibited by the Beaverton Code. What should you do if your neighbor's dog is barking excessively? We encourage people to try to resolve the issue directly with their neighbor first. Pick a time when you are in a good mood to stop by your neighbor's house. Introduce yourself, if you have never met. Be polite, respectful, and direct about what is bothering you. Use "I" statements, like, "I need to sleep at

night, and I cannot sleep very well when I hear a dog barking outside my bedroom window." Stating the problem in "I" terms is less likely to cause the other person to become defensive.

You might even want to rehearse what you are going to say with a friend or family member before you go over to the neighbor's house, and then take the friend or family member with you. Taking a plate of homemade cookies with you is not a bad idea when you are going to confront a neighbor about a problem. If possible, exchange phone numbers with the neighbor, and then call each time the barking dog bothers you.

If you try the direct approach first and cannot get the attention or cooperation of the neighbor, or if you need help before you try the direct approach, contact the Beaverton Dispute Resolution Center by calling (503) 526-2523. Our highly-trained mediators will work with you and your neighbor to find a mutually agreeable solution. This free service is provided by volunteer mediators who are professionally trained and supported.

If the mediation was unsuccessful, or if the dog owner refuses to mediate and the problem persists, we would encourage you to record the barking dog on audio or video tape, noting the date and time of each recorded episode. With the evidence in hand, Code Services will send a final warning letter to the dog owner. If the problem is

not promptly addressed thereafter, we will issue a summons and complaint for the dog owner to appear in Municipal Court.

You may wonder why we do not just issue a citation in the first place and make things easier for you. There are two reasons. One, we have found that the best solutions are solutions that neighbors work out themselves. You may be neighbors for a long time, which will be much more pleasant if you get along with each other. Second, your neighbors may think that you do not like or respect them if you do not talk to them about the problem first. Many dog owners have told us, "If the neighbors would have just said something to me, I would have taken care of the problem. I did not know the dog was bothering anyone." If you have already talked to the neighbor and tried to mediate the issue, there are no excuses left. At Code Services, issuing a citation is the last resort.

Our mission is to enhance neighborhood livability and the quality of life in Beaverton by helping business and residents understand and comply with their responsibilities under the Beaverton Code.

For More Information:

You can report problems 24 hours per day at

www.beavertonoregon.gov

Click on the "Report A Problem" link. Call us at (503) 526-2270 if you have any questions.



Mayor's Office: **Community Volunteer Program**

There are many very good reasons to volunteer in our community. For example, people who have spent time volunteering tell us that they get back more personal fulfillment and joy than they ever give in time and effort. When you consider the reasons to volunteer, some of the best reasons may be ones that do not come right to mind. These are some of the best reasons that make it very rewarding to volunteer:

- Makes you feel valuable and needed.
- Allows you to learn new skills.
- Lets you share your special talents and abilities.
- Provides the opportunity to meet

new and interesting people.

- Helps break down barriers of misunderstanding, mistrust and fear.
- Creates new contacts which may help your business or career.

You might be thinking that the little time you can volunteer will not help much; however, think about the few minutes you spent reading a book to a child, or helping someone in a difficult time. You know those small efforts providing compassion, support, and attention make a world of difference for that person. We may not be able to solve the world's problems, but by volunteering we can make our community a happier, healthier, safer

place to live.

You can make our City happier, healthier and safer by turning your special talents and abilities into positive action. Check out the opportunities for volunteer service on the City's Web site at: www.beaverton.oregon.gov. Under "Quick Links" select "Volunteer Opportunities".

The site lists the open positions in the **Mayor's Office Programs**, and provides direct links to the **City of Beaverton Boards & Commissions**, **Beaverton City Library**, and the **Beaverton Police Department** Web sites and online applications.

Join our Growing Team of Volunteers!

Sister Cities Foundation: **Local and International Updates**

First, we would like to thank and congratulate our new officers for 2004-2005 year: John Fencsak is serving as Chairman; Ray Hale is serving as Vice-Chairman and Immediate Past Chairman; Rob Timmons is serving as Secretary; and Caryl Ladd is serving as Treasurer. Each officer serves as a volunteer with the Foundation and we appreciate their efforts on our behalf.

We have received an invitation from our French Sister City, Cluses, France to a special celebration on May 8, 2005. This is the day that the American troops liberated Cluses from the German occupation. They remember the efforts this liberation took and would like to thank as many Americans as possible on this special day.

The Sister Cities Foundation invites any Beaverton resident to join in on a trip to Cluses. If enough residents express an interest in attending; we can likely obtain a less expensive air fare --

but we must move quickly. If you are interested we could make arrangements for a home stay while in Cluses rather than a hotel.

Currently, we have one student studying French in Cluses for one month. Holly Taylor from Valley Catholic High School is staying with a Cluses family and attending school with her hostess. She will be returning from France with her adult chaperone in a few short weeks. If you know Holly, please ask her about her trip. We are confident that she is having a great time.

For More Information:

For information about the Sister Cities Foundation or the upcoming trip to Cluses, please contact Rosemary Egan at (503) 526-2499 or regan@ci.beaverton.or.us

Dispute Resolution Center:

Managing Your Relationships with Difficult People

Whether it is the neighbor who always complains about your yard or the boss who is never happy with your work, we all have to deal with difficult people in our lives. Most people deal with a difficult person by dwelling on what they do not like about that person (for example their yelling, their condescending tone, etc.) and then wishing that he or she would change. Not surprisingly, this method of managing difficult people rarely creates the change we desire.

For most of us, our personal experience of conflict moves through a series of phases that together make up a self-perpetuating cycle. This cycle can be positive or negative depending on the beliefs and attitudes about conflict that we developed at an early age from behaviors modeled by our parents, teachers, and friends and our personal experiences with conflict. Someone says or does something, and our perception of the other person's intent sparks an automatic response based on our attitudes and beliefs. This, in turn, triggers a consequence that usually reinforces our belief systems and perpetuates our behavior pattern.

The key to dealing with a difficult person is to change your attitudes and behaviors in order to change your relationship with that person. You can

do this more successfully by:

- Taking the responsibility to examine your thoughts and feelings about the difficult person;
- Understanding what kind of relationship you would like to have with the person who is giving you a difficult time;
- Taking notice of the behavior that you observe rather than making assumptions about what that behavior means; and
- Examining your approach to communicating with that person.

The next time you are confronted by a difficult person, take the time to examine your own thoughts and feelings about that person. What do you see them doing that causes you to react negatively? Consider the following examples:

- Facial expressions;
- Eye contact or lack of eye contact;
- Gestures;
- The sound of their voice;
- Volume changes in their voice such as screaming or whining;
- The actual words and the meaning of the words that are used;

Pay close attention to their behavior patterns. What is working and what is not? Have you made assumptions about what these actions mean? We usually pay attention to our

own assumptions instead of what is actually taking place.

Next, pay attention to your behavior patterns. What is working and what is not? What do others do that works better? If you do not set aside your assumptions, you may never have an understanding about what is really going on and to what you are responding.

Now, take the time to consider how your actions may affect the other person. What assumptions are they making about you? Using the examples above, consider the message you may be sending them. Finally, decide what you would like the relationship to be and make a plan that will move you toward that goal. What do you want them to know? How will you present yourself? What will you say?

Treat every interaction with a difficult person as an opportunity to improve your relationship. Allow yourself to see the larger patterns of behavior, both theirs and yours. Imagine that you are a neutral third party examining your interactions with the difficult person from a fresh point of view. Become familiar with the type of approach to conflict that you normally use with that person and examine how it works. If it is not working exchange it for a thoughtful alternative that will move you toward the relationship that you want with that person.

The Beaverton Mayor's Youth Advisory Board (MYAB) Newsletter Now Available!

MYAB has produced their first ever newsletter for high school students by high school students. The newsletter is called *The Whirlpool*, a blend of youth ideas, interests, and discussions. Copies are available at City Hall, the Library, on the City's Web site (www.beavertonoregon.gov), or at area schools.

For More Information:

The Beaverton Dispute Resolution Center is a free service of the Mayor's office. For more information on dealing with difficult people check out our Web site at www.beavertonoregon.gov. We are here to help you! Give us a call!

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING NEWS

Springtime Yard Debris Reminders

As winter turns into spring, and you begin to clean up your yard for the warmer weather, please keep the following information in mind as you prepare your yard debris:

■ Yard debris carts are picked up **weekly** in the City of Beaverton (unlike most other Washington County jurisdictions which have every-other week collection of yard debris).

■ Please place your yard debris cart at the curb (**not in the street**) on your scheduled day.

■ Include **only** leaves, grass clippings, garden waste, weeds, branches

and prunings, (no greater than four inches in diameter and 36 inches in length).

■ **Plastic bags cannot be used for yard debris.** If you have extra yard debris beyond what fits into your cart, you may purchase kraft-paper yard debris bags from many local retailers. (*Please note, there is an additional \$3.00 charge for each "extra" yard debris bag.*)

■ A typical 60-gallon roll cart may not weigh more than 120 pounds.

■ No oversized items, dirt, sod, stumps, metal, rocks, ashes, food waste, plastic, lumber, animal waste

or household garbage.

■ Do not overstuff the container - it may not empty properly.

Call your hauler or contact the City Solid Waste & Recycling Program if you have additional questions about yard debris or any other garbage or recycling question.



2005 Hazardous Waste Roundups

Metro conducts household hazardous waste collection events called "roundups" from March through November in many communities across the tri-county area. These no-cost events are small, frequent and community-friendly. You also can take your toxic trash year-round to Metro's permanent hazardous waste facilities. In 2004,

residents disposed of more than 700,000 pounds of hazardous waste at the weekend roundup collection events.

Roundup collections take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For locations and a schedule call (503) 234-3000 or check the Metro Web site at www.metro-region.org

For More Information:

For more information about solid waste and recycling topics in Beaverton, see the City Web site at www.beavertonoregon.gov, call (503) 526-2665, or email recyclingmail@ci.beaverton.or.us.

Plots Going Fast!



Community Garden Plots Available

Do you have the urge to dig in the soil and grow vegetables or flowers for yourself or family but do not have the space at your home or apartment?

The City of Beaverton has three Community Garden locations that could be just the answer to your needs! A limited number of the 100 20'x20' garden plots are still available at the:

- Kennedy Gardens -- near the intersection of 103rd and Kennedy;
- Welch Centennial Gardens -- near the intersection of 10th and Erickson; or
- Community Center Gardens -- near the intersection of 5th and Hall

Garden spaces may be reserved for a garden season for a \$30 fee, which pays for the use of the land, water, and general garden maintenance. You are responsible for planting, caring, and harvesting your plot.

Returning gardeners have the first option on their garden plots, but new gardeners are always needed to fill up the garden spaces each year.

See the City Web site at www.beavertonoregon.gov/departments/gardens or contact the Community Garden program via email at gardenmail@ci.beaverton.or.us or by calling (503) 350-4019 for more details.

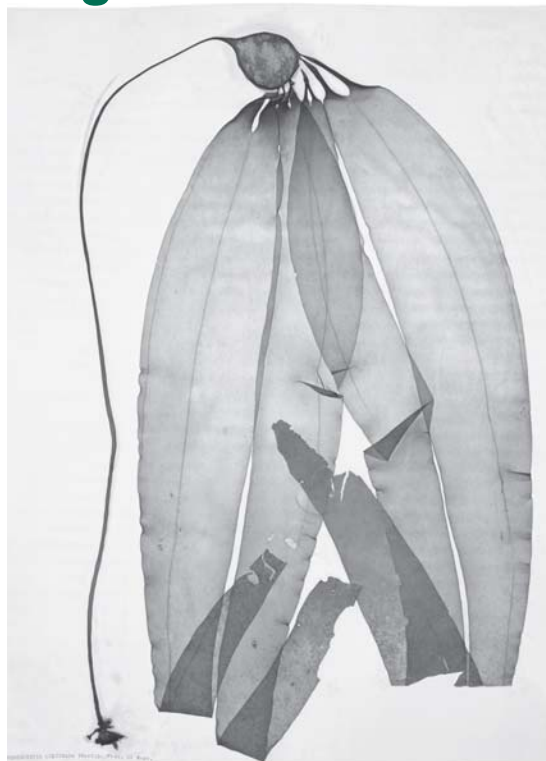
Beaverton Arts Commission: Photographer Dianne Kornberg In Beaverton

Local artist Dianne Kornberg will talk about her evolution as an artist over the past twenty-five years, from painting to photography to color and carbon pigment ink jet printing on Saturday, March 19, from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Beaverton City Library. There is no admission charge for the lecture.

Kornberg works with the aesthetics and metaphorical ideas she finds in the natural world. For the past decade, her subjects have been biological and botanical specimens collected for scientific study in laboratory settings. Her most recent work, the Celebration Quartet, Cors Mortale, and Evidence of Occurrence is currently on exhibit at Elizabeth Leach Gallery in Portland.

She is best known for her large-scale, black and white gelatin silver prints of bones and insects. She is represented in several important collections including those of the International Center for Photography, the Princeton Art Museum, the Manfred Heiting Collection at the Houston Museum of Art, the Seattle Art Museum, and the Portland Art Museum.

At Right: An example of Dianne Kornberg's photography



Cedar Hills Recreation Center exhibits works by local artists

The Cedar Hills Recreation Center (CHRC), 11640 SW Parkway, is partnering with the Beaverton Arts Commission on a bi-monthly gallery program. Arts Commission artists will exhibit their works for sale in the main corridor of CHRC.

The artwork is available for viewing all facility hours: Monday - Friday, 5:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Sunday, 10 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Local Artist and Romanian native, Estera Nanassy, will exhibit her oil paintings in February and March.

Beaverton Arts Commission Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 19, 1-3 p.m.

Lecture by Photographer Dianne Kornberg in the Beaverton City Library auditorium. No admission charge.

Sunday, April 24, 2-3 p.m.

The Portland Community Ballet will perform excerpts from "Swan Lake" in the Beaverton City Library auditorium. No admission charge.

March and April

Artists from the Village Gallery of Art will present works in a variety of media in the main corridors of Beaverton City Hall in March. In April, Christine Helton will exhibit her watercolors and Judith Gonzales will exhibit her works created from recycled materials in recognition of "Earth Day." Mon-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

March and April

Watercolors by Kimberly Weisker will be exhibited for sale at Artisan Salon, 4430 SW Lombard (at

Broadway), 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Mon.-Sat.

March, April and May

Watercolors and mixed media by Artist Sunny Smith will be featured in the Center on Aging Gallery at Providence St. Vincent Hospital located on the second floor next to the cafeteria. The artwork on exhibit, which changes quarterly, highlights the vast resource of creativity and culture of the older adults of Washington County. Open hospital hours.

For More Information:

To receive notice of upcoming Arts Commission events sign up for the Arts News and Events Mailing List at www.beavertonoregon.gov/departments/arts or call the Commission at (503) 526-2288.

Beaverton City Library: Library Foundation Celebrates Success of "Buy a Book" Campaign

The **Buy a Book Campaign** targeted areas of the Library that needed an infusion of funds to build specific subject areas of the Library collection. Donors were able to select where their donation would help based on their interest. The collections selected for help were: Parent/Teacher Collection, Books-on-CD, and Job Search/Test Preparation. With the help of generous contributions, the Foundation presented the Library Director with a check for \$11,000 to build up these collections.

Here is a list of the donors that helped make this happen:

\$1,000 to \$5,000: Carol Sampson
\$250 to \$999: Beaverton Toyota Co., Peter-Jacobsen Productions, Evelyn Brzezinski, Karen Stratton, anonymous donors

\$100 to \$249: Beaverton Heating & A/C, Delta Products Corp., Nishimura Insurance, Robert A. Clark, DMD, James Barnard, John Frerichs, Steve Holgate, Marla London, Lorraine McConnell, Ruth Richter, John Sidley, Douglas Smith, Gene Tollefson, Charles Watemath, Donald Walton, anonymous donors

\$25 to \$99: Griffith Roofing Co., Inc., John Barnes, Dee Ann Carter,

Robert Daly, Larry Foster, Genevieve Neyland, John Nunan, Fred Ruby, Descriptor Communications, Daniel Ciechan, David Fradkin, Mark Gleason, Edward House, Judith Hvam, Marilyn Jones, Edward Kirsch, Sandri Richardson, Glenn Roche, Wilfredo Salazar, Kenneth Schoenberg, Wesley Yuen

Would you like to help the Library provide new materials to community members? Please visit the Beaverton Library Foundation at www.beavertonlibraryfoundation.org. This site will give you the opportunity to support Library service in Beaverton!

Spring is in the Air

Are you looking for inexpensive books on gardening or travel? Looking for a book to take with you on Spring Break? Stop by the Friends of the Library used bookstore, **The Book Corner**, located close to the Library on the corner of 5th and Washington (between Hall and Watson). High quality used fiction and non-fiction books are available on a large range of subjects.

You will be surprised with the "like new quality" many of the books have. Average sale price is \$.50 for paperbacks and \$1.00 for hard backs. For more information call (503) 643-5188. Hours: Tues- Sat 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sun. Noon - 3 p.m. Volunteers staff the store, stock is provided from donations and proceeds from sales benefit the Library.

The Friends of the Library is a membership organization and for as little as \$8 per year you can show your support of Library service by becoming a Friend. Stop in at the Library or Book Corner to join!

Beaverton City Library

Address:

**12375 SW 5th Street,
(5th & Hall)
Beaverton, OR 97005**

Phone:

(503) 644-2197

Web site:

www.beavertonlibrary.org

Hours:

Sunday

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Monday

1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday

1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Library Calendar:

Tax Forms are available on the second floor of the Library until April 15.

Children: Storytimes are available for: Toddlers; Babies & Books; Preschool; Evening Storytime; Storytime in Spanish. Please visit www.beavertonlibrary.org under the children's section for current schedule and age groupings.

Saturday, March 12 at 11:00 a.m.
Puppet Show for ages 4 and up

Saturday, April 9 at 11:00 a.m.
Puppet Show for ages 4 and up

Young Adult (6 to 12 grades):
Poetry Contest, March 1-31

Young Adult "SAT/ACT/PSAT Special Test" April 2, 10:30-4:30

Open Mic Poetry Nite, April 5, 6:00 p.m. - All ages

Young Adult Media Savvy Teens April 12, 19 and 26, at 6:00 p.m.: Learn strategies and ideas for becoming more media-savvy.

Family: April 16, at 2:00 p.m.: Celebrate National Library Week with the Storytelling Festival: Hearing Voices. A storyteller will spin wonderful tales that will engage the entire family.

PUBLIC MEETINGS CALENDAR • MARCH - APRIL 2005

City Council Meetings* - City Hall / Council Chambers

Mon. March 7	6:30 p.m. -- Televised	Mon. April 4	6:30 p.m. -- Televised
Mon. March 28	6:30 p.m. -- Televised	Mon. April 11	6:30 p.m. -- Televised
		Mon. April 18	6:30 p.m. -- Televised

NAC Meetings **

Central Beaverton NAC	Thurs.	March 17	7:00 p.m.	Beaverton Community Center
	Thurs.	April 21	7:00 p.m.	
Denney Whitford NAC	Thurs.	March 24	7:00 p.m.	Edgewood Downs Retirement Ctr.
	Thurs.	April 28	7:00 p.m.	
Five Oaks/Triple Creek NAC	Tues.	March 8	7:00 p.m.	Elmonica Elementary School
	Tues.	April 12	7:00 p.m.	
Greenway NAC	Thurs.	April 21	7:00 p.m.	Conestoga Middle School
Highland NAC	Thurs.	March 10	7:00 p.m.	Beaverton Resource Center
	Thurs.	April 14	7:00 pm.	
Neighbors Southwest NAC	Wed.	March 16	7:00 p.m.	Nancy Ryles Elementary School
	Wed.	April 20	7:00 p.m.	
Raleigh West NAC	Wed.	March 2	7:00 p.m.	Beaverton Community Center
Sexton Mountain NAC	Wed.	March 16	7:00 p.m.	Sexton Mtn. Elem. School
	Wed.	April 20	7:00 p.m.	
South Beaverton NAC	Thurs.	March 10	7:00 p.m.	Southridge High School
	Thurs.	April 14	7:00 p.m.	
Vose NAC	Thurs.	March 17	7:00 p.m.	Beaverton Community Center
	Thurs.	April 21	7:00 p.m.	
West Beaverton NAC	Thurs.	March 10	7:00 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventist Church
	Thurs.	April 14	7:00 p.m.	
West Slope NAC	Tues.	April 19	7:00 p.m.	West Sylvan Middle School

Boards and Commissions - Meeting Locations at City Hall

Beaverton Arts Commission	Tues.	March 16	6:30 p.m.	City Hall, 3rd Floor Conf. Room
	Tues.	April 19	6:30 p.m.	
Beaverton Comm. for Citizen Involvement	Tues.	March 22	7:00 p.m.	City Hall, 1st Floor Conf. Room
	Tues.	April 26	7:00 p.m.	
Beaverton Sister Cities Foundation	Thurs.	March 10	12:30 p.m.	City Hall, 2nd Floor Conf. Room
	Thurs.	April 14	12:30 p.m.	
Bicycle Advisory Committee	Tues.	April 5	6:00 p.m.	
Board of Design Review	Thurs.	March 10	6:30 p.m.	City Hall, Council Chambers
	Thurs.	March 17	6:30 p.m.	City Hall, 1st Floor Conf. Room
	Thurs.	March 24	6:30 p.m.	City Hall, Council Chambers
	Thurs.	March 31	6:30 p.m.	
	Thurs.	April 7	6:30 p.m.	
	Thurs.	April 14	6:30 p.m.	
	Thurs.	April 21	6:30 p.m.	
	Thurs.	April 28	6:30 p.m.	
Citizens with Disabilities Advisory Com.	Thurs.	March 17	3:30 p.m.	City Hall, CDD Conference Room
	Thurs.	April 21	3:30 p.m.	
Human Rights Advisory Commission	Tues.	March 15	7:00 p.m.	City Hall, 1st Floor Conf. Room
	Tues.	April 19	7:00 p.m.	
Mayor's Youth Advisory Board	Sun.	March 13		
	Sun.	April 3		
	Sun.	April 17		
Planning Commission	Wed.	March 9	6:30 p.m.	City Hall, Council Chambers
	Wed.	March 16	6:30 p.m.	
	Wed.	March 23	6:30 p.m.	
	Wed.	March 30	6:30 p.m.	
	Wed.	April 6	6:30 p.m.	
	Wed.	April 13	6:30 p.m.	
	Wed.	April 20	6:30 p.m.	
	Wed.	April 27	6:30 p.m.	
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee	Tues.	March 8	2:00 p.m.	City Hall, 2nd Floor Conf. Room
	Tues.	April 12	2:00 p.m.	
Traffic Commission	Thurs.	March 3	7:00 p.m.	City Hall, Council Chambers
	Thurs.	April 7	7:00 p.m.	

*Call (503) 526-2640 V/TDD for a recording of City Council agendas.

**Call Neighborhood Program, (503) 526-2243 V/TDD to confirm location and meeting dates.

The events listed on this calendar are subject to change. The calendar on the City Web site will have the most current information about events and any cancellations. See www.beavertonoregon.gov/community/vcalendar.cfm for more details.

Assistive listening devices or sign interpreters will be made available at any public meeting or program sponsored by the City of Beaverton upon request with a minimum of 72 hours advance notice. To request either service, please call (503) 526-2497 V/TDD.

MEETING LOCATIONS:

Beaverton Community Center: 12350 SW 5th Street
Beaverton Resource Center: 12500 SW Allen Boulevard
Church of Latter Day Saints (LDS): 8640 SW Turquoise Loop
City Hall: 4755 SW Griffith Drive
Conestoga Middle School: 12250 SW Conestoga
Edgewood Downs Retirement Center: 7799 SW Scholls Ferry Road
Elmonica School: 16950 SW Lisa
Five Oaks School: 1600 NW 173rd Avenue
Highland Park Middle: 7000 SW Wilson
Library Building: 12375 SW 5th Street
Nancy Ryles School: 10250 SW Cormorant
Saylor's Old Country Kitchen Restaurant: 4655 SW Griffith Drive
Seventh Day Adventist Church: 14645 SW Davis Road
Sexton Mt. School: 15645 SW Sexton Mt. Drive
Southridge High School: 9625 SW 125th Avenue
Valley Presbyterian Church: 8060 SW Brentwood
THPRD Nature Park Interpretive Center: 15655 SW Millikan Way
West Sylvan Middle School: 8111 SW West Slope Drive
Whitford Middle School: 7935 SW Scholls Ferry Road

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